GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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ALLOTMENT OF PETROL PUMPS/LPG AGENCIES TO UNEMPLOYED YOUTHS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of LPG agencies and petrol pumps allotted to the educated unemployed persons belonging to scheduled castes and scheduled tribes, other backward classes and dependants of freedom fighters in Maharashtra during the last three years ;

(b) the number of distributorship proposed to be allotted during the current year ; (

(c) the details of districts proposed to be covered in the State ; and

(d) the time by which all the districts in the States are likely to be covered?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) and (b) : As per extant guidelines on reservation policy, there is reservation for following categories:-

Defence Personnel (8%), Freedom Fighters (2%), Outstanding Sports Persons (2%), Paramilitary / Police / Government Personne (8%), Physically Handicapped Persons (5%), Scheduled Castes / Scheduled Tribes (25%) and Open Category (50%).

During the last three years number of LPG distributorships and Retail Outlets allotted to Scheduled Caste(SC) and Scheduled Tribes (ST) categories in the State of Maharashtra are as under :-

Category	LPG distributors	Retail Outlets
SC	8	2
ST	6	3

It is not possible to indicate a fixed target for the fresh allotment of LPG agenciesduring a particular year. It normally takes 6-12 months from the date of interview to the time of commissioning.

(c) and (d) : At present, Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) are having the LPG distributorships network in all the districts of Maharashtra State.